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They are the subject and brief chronicles of the time. Hasket, Act II, Scene 2.

Mr. H. C. S. D. of Buhla, was in town on Monday.

The mosquitoes are so attentive and busy.

Mr. Wm. Bryden, of Winnipeg, spent Monday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser, Sr., went to Virden on yesterday's express.

Mr. Geo. H. A. Implement agent, Virden, was in town on Monday last.

Mr. John Simington is building a new house on his lot south of the track.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid intend holding an ice cream social on the evening of the 14th.

School Inspector Lang paid a visit to the Elkhorn public school on Monday.

The weather and the crops are the most satisfactory items of news just now.

Don't forget the voting for the Mill Bonus, by-law which takes place on June 24th.

The Methodist Church is expected to be ready for the opening celebration in about two weeks.

Mr. Geo. C. Webster was at Fleming on Monday last, but did not return the same day. I wonder now!

Work has been resumed on Mr. Hoppy's stone stable, which will, when completed, be his headquarters.

There is likely to be quite a sensational squabble about the opening of the Chicago Exposition on Sunday.

There has been a deluge of freight trains from the east during the past week, averaging about three every day.

Mr. Groulx is building a shanty on the southern part of his garden, which he has rented, south of the railway track.

Rev. Mr. Mowat, who has been officiating at the Presbyterian Church here during the past month, left for Douglas last Tuesday.

Mr. Cushings house is being renovated, a new wing is being added to the north side with bay windows in front, and will, when completed, be quite a credit to the town.

Mr. Job Cavanagh, brother of the proprietor of the Cavanagh Hotel, has purchased the Livery Stables occupied by Mr. Wm. Hoppe, and intends to run it on his own account.

Rev. J. Dyke, of Virden, as announced last week, would preach in the Methodist church on Sunday last, was unable to be present, and Mr. Charlesworth, of Virden, took charge of the service.

A numerously alleged call to Rev. G. W. G. Fortune will be presented to the Brandon Presbytery, which meets early next week, and his induction will, it is expected, take place immediately afterwards.

The Rev. Mr. Beattie, of Virden, will preach in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday next, and the Rev. Mr. Chestnut, of Breadalbane, the following Sunday. Rev. Mr. Fortune will then take charge.

Mr. C. Shillingford, of Fleming, bought lately for Russell & Ironsides, of Brandon, a car load of 17 head of cattle weighing about 1,400 lbs. each.

The cattle were raised south of Fleming, and were shipped from Moosemin.

125,000 people visited the World's Fair Grounds on Sunday last. The first open Sunday may be considered a success. The music selected by the bands was mostly sacred. Those buildings erected by Great Britain and the Colonies, including Canada, were closed.

There is an exhibition at the Indian Home teller shop a sample coat to be the future regalia of the Indian boys. It is of blue cloth, modestly decorated with red braid, and brass buttons specially manufactured in Birmingham, England, and bearing in raised letters the initials of our Indian Homes.

The new time card comes into operation to-day and in future the express going east will arrive at 5:10 a.m., and the one going west will arrive about half an hour earlier than heretofore. The fast trains will pass through for the west about 1:40 p.m., and east about 4:30 p.m. The change will give us for the first time a daily mail, and give us a long day in Virden or Brandon.

Even the days of the week, as we use them now, are named from deities who had each his special flower. The sun (Sunday), the sunflower; the moon (Monday), daisy; Tuesday (the god Tui's day), the violet; Wednesday (the god Woden's day), the blue monkshood; Thursday (the god Thor's day), the burdock; Friday (the goddess Freya's day), the orchid; and Saturday (Saturn's day), the horse tail.

A good joke is going around town about a leading local Presbyterian arriving at the church on Sunday morning last for service and was much surprised to find the church empty, imagining of course that there was no service, or that he was much too early. Imagine his surprise when he discovered that instead of it being eleven o'clock as he fondly supposed it was one o'clock in the afternoon. At usual it was that blundered clock.

The new Methodist Church at Fleming was opened on Sunday and Monday last with the customary celebrations. Rev. Dr. Sparling, Principal of Wesley College, Winnipeg, preached the opening sermon, which were largely attended. On Monday a public tea and meeting was held and addressed by Rev. Dr. Sparling, Rev. Mr. Leech, of Moosemin, and others. Dr. Sparling was in good form and in a felicitous address complimented the people of Fleming on the handsome structure they had erected, and which they by promises covering a period of three years, also paid for. It is a substantial stone building, and described as one of the best in Manitoba, and the North West. Mr. W. Buckingham, Mrs. Travis and Mr. Bailey were present from Elkhorn.

ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Examined May 14th, 1893.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT.

Order of Merit. Book 3. Senior:

1. Mowat, Claude Bell, Annie Green-

bach, Addie Travis, Henry Hume, Thos. Gordon.

Junior: F. Dobson, Herbert Taylor, G. McLeod, L. A. Raven, Roy Tinslie, J. Dobson, W. Phillips, M. McKim.

Book 3. Senior: Elmer Harrison, Lily Cavanagh, Nellie Stark, Fred Hume, J. Feiler, G. Wilson.

Junior: Thos. Yodden, W. Frazer, Geo. Gordon.

Promoted to Book 4. Highest Marks:

Class 3. Bert Johnson, Percy Tinslie, J. No. Holston, G. Harry G.

Class 2. Lillian Mowat, G. Claude Bell, G. Annie Greenbach, G. Addie Travis, G. Henry Hume, G.

Class 1. Mary Groulx, G. Milton Tinslie, G. Fanny Bermingham, G.

THOS. S. P. TAYLOR, Teacher.

MARYFIELD.

The grading on the south approach to the bridge over the Pipestone Creek at this point was to be taken in hand by the settlers today. It is to be hoped that before long both man and beast will have the use of the structure which has certainly been one of the slowest pieces of work ever taken in hand, even at the expense of a liberal Government.

There is need for different management in this department of the N.W. Legislature Assembly's work, and our local member would do well to see to it.

Seeding is generally over now, though a few are putting in late oats and barley for feed. Quite a number have commenced breaking, which, with the moisture in the ground from the recent rains, is a pleasant work than usual for both man and beast.

On Monday last a Concert and Social was held in the Ingleside school. It was originally intended to be on behalf of the Methodist Mission, but, owing to the absence of Mr. Platt, the minister in charge of the district, and of one of the leading Stewards, Mr. Mills, this object was overruled and no collection taken. The Maushan Bros. band, accompanied by Miss Dale on the organ, gave some excellent music. Several songs and an occasional recitation made up a first rate local programme.

Among the appointments in the North West Territories Gazette for the 15th of April is that of Mr. David McCormick, to be Commissioner for taking affidavits within the Territories, and of William Stubbord, to be Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths for the East Cannington Electoral District.

Among the new arrivals is that of Mr. James Morrison from Glasgow, Scotland, a young mother of Mrs. John Black.

Mr. George Dixon, expects his brother with his wife and family from South Dakota in a few days. They will probably make their home with him till the brothers locate themselves on homesteads.

ELKHORN.

O! Elkhorn, sweet star of the morning,

And crown of the jubilant night,

My loving grip holdeth thee tight.

Thy smiling horizon is bounded.

With subtlest yellow and new,

Thy three little alleys are rounded.

And so is thy twenty yard street.

O happy thysons and thy daughters

In such a fair paradise met;

On thy road see the brown sparkling waters.

O joy, for a big fishing net;

What treasures uncounting exist

In depths of thy odorous mud,

O here, see its tall all a-twining,

A dear little polly-wox bud.

I've roamed far away o'er the ocean,

Many beautiful lands have I seen,

But Elkhorn—forgive my emotion,

In thee I behold nature's queen.

My eyes gaze all tear-dimmed with rapture.

At the three blades of grass on the lawn

My senses their brilliant hues capture,

One yellow, one green, and one fawn.

But thus to enlarge on thy beauties

Were a task too unending and sweet,

Begetting from life's sterner duties

And times footstep—ah me how fleet.

Then farewell blast theme so entrancing,

One dear consolation have I.

Life's pleasures for ever enhancing

Loved Elkhorn so thee I am glad.

LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

The adjourned meeting of the License Commissioners to hear protests against the granting of liquor licenses for Charles Shillingford, Fleming, and Hall & E. Hott, of Wolsley, took place in Whitehead, on Tuesday morning.

In the case of Shillingford, F. F. Forbes, Moosemin, acted for the defendants, and Rev. Mr. Platt, Fleming, for plaintiffs. Mr. Forbes objected to the petition presented by the plaintiffs, on the grounds that the meeting was called for proof, and the petition was no proof at all. The name of S. B. Paul on defendants application was allowed, it being ruled that he was a house holder in the meaning of the act. Mr. Platt said that the name of Robert Ross should be struck off the list, as his mother had said he was not of age. This evidence was ruled out, there being no proof that the person referred to was under age. Being sworn, Mr. Platt said that he had affidavits of two persons that the quiet of the place was disturbed. Knew of three instances himself, which he thought would not have occurred, had there not been a license. In one case there was a Sunday School, entertainment, and one of the Deacons of Mr. Platt's church came in under the influence of liquor and broke up the meeting. Another time an intoxicated man threw stones on his back. Witnesses were not sure that the liquor was sold in Mr. Shillingford's hotel. He was objecting on the 24th of May. The objection that defendant sells liquor to political drunkards after being forbidden by their friends was ruled out.

Cross-examined by Mr. Forbes.

Some of the names on petition presented to-day reside in Manitoba. Mr. Forbes objected to the names of these and of women who disturbed the meeting and the man who threw him (witness) on his back got liquor from defendant.

G. J. Jupp, sworn, said I boarded for 13 months at defendant's hotel. The place was not generally quiet. My rest has been disturbed at night. Have resided at Mr. Gilbert's since. Have seen some about the premises of Mr. Gilbert.

The rows were caused by liquor. The men who made the disturbance were J. J. Adamson and one Byers. Byers had the reputation of being quarrelsome in his cups. The men were sober when they came to my shop. They might have had liquor with them. The row was on the public streets. I saw men have a drink at defendant's hotel after the row was drunk. Witness then told what the row was about. Several legal points were discussed after which the commissioners adjourned till 1 p.m.

A. McLean, sworn, said I have often seen liquor drunk there. I have seen rows as a result of liquor. Have been the quiet of the neighborhood disturbed. On New Year's eve I was passing hotel and I have heard a row, and went into the hotel. One man had the store pipes down. Between plaintiff and self we got the men out. On the prairie there was shouting. One fellow got the wind.

They got into a fight. I didn't know any more cases. Cross-examined by Mr. Forbes. Have lived in Fleming since '81. I assisted in coaxing the men outside. I was in the house about 10 minutes. One man came to town sober, he was 3 hours in town. We had drinks together after the row was over.

The Commissioners reserved their judgment till the evening sitting when calling Mr. Shillingford, they warned him to be more careful in future as he had had a narrow escape of losing his license. The license was granted.

SIDEWALK COMPOSITION.

He was a son of sunny Italy, and he wrote his first ad; when he set up his black stand at an uptown corner. It ran:

"BOOTS BLACKED INSIDE."

His first customer asked to him like a school master, and then went away. The next day the sign read:

"BOOTS BLACKED OUTSIDE."

A big, fat man stopped, ran his eye over it, and said: "You don't suppose that we suppose that you are expected to black them on the inside, do you? Change that."

The next day the sign read:

"INSIDE BOOTS BLACKED OUTSIDE."

That nearly caused a riot. Scores of people gathered around it, and casual remarks were made about lynching. The Italian became alarmed and pulled in the sign. The next day this appeared:

"BOOTS OUTSIDE BLACKED INSIDE."

There was a rumbling sound heard, as of an earthquake in the throes of composition, in the vicinity of that stand. It swelled into a roar, as if it were about to sweep everything before it, when the Italian ran for his life. When next he appeared, he proudly pointed to his new sign:

"ON RAINY DAYS OUTSIDE BOOTS SHINED INSIDE."

That Italian says that "this is one great country for making the mor, but one dam country for the crank," for the police made him take that sign in.

The newest sign reads:

"Within The Store, On Tempestuous Days, Boots will be Cleaned, Blackened and Polished by the Brush Manipulator, without Extra Charge."

It has been allowed to stand. It was composed by a wandering Boston man. Art in Advertising.

NOT SAFE TO LAUGH AT PA.

As a matter of fact a boy should never laugh at his father until he (the boy) is eighteen years of age at least. Earlier than that it is not safe. A boy over near the university has for several evenings stood up to eat his meals, and all because he neglected the above rule of conduct.

His father likes great pride in a Hambleton colt he is raising. The old man fairly delights in pottering around the stable, and he can hardly wait until that colt is four years old and trotts with the harness in 2:05 1/2 as it surely will. The other morning the old pater (tussling around in an old silk hat and equally venerable great coat, pitchfork in hand, and while he was working about the colt's heels the boy gave the animal its feed. The colt does not allow any familiarities while feeding, and when the old man, in stooping position backed up against him, the colt lashed out with both feet. The man stood so near that the kick broke no bones, but he was shot as from a catapult right through the steps of the side of the stable, and when he extricated himself from the splinters the rim of his headgear hung around his neck like a ruff. He regarded the whole business as rough, and delivered an oration through his hat which the boy regarded as amusing. The punpeter laughed. First he stood and laughed, then he lay down and laughed, and rolled over and over, and hugged himself, and still laughed. But when that devoted father got clear from the wreckage he seized the nearest grasp, and the boy has not smiled once since. The boy knows now that he is not big enough to laugh at his father. —Minneapolis Tribune.

ELKHORN MARKETS.

Roller Oats..... \$0.00 to 2.75

Standard Oatmeal..... 0.00 2.75

Grain Oatmeal..... 0.20 0.32

Wheat..... 0.00 0.25

Oats..... 0.00 2.45

Flour, Hungarian..... 0.00 2.15

Flour, Prairie Queen..... 0.00 2.00

Flour, Strong Blakers..... 0.01 0.01 1/2

Beef, carcass..... 0.00 0.10

Beef, retail..... 0.00 0.12 1/2

Mutton, carcass..... 0.00 0.07 1/2

Mutton, retail..... 0.00 0.12 1/2

Pork, carcass..... 0.00 0.10

Pork, retail..... 0.00 0.12 1/2

Bacon, breakfast..... 0.00 0.10

Bacon, long clear..... 0.00 0.10

Ham, supplied..... 0.00 0.10

Butter..... 0.00 0.10 1/2

Eggs, fresh, per doz..... 0.00 0.10 1/2

Potatoes, per bush..... 0.00 0.40

Cordwood..... 0.00 0.00

Hay per ton..... 5.00 6.00

Chickens (per lb)..... 0.00 0.12

Coal, Pennsylvania per ton..... 0.00 13.00

Coal, Galt..... 0.00 8.75

Coal, Estevan..... 0.00 4.50

Public Notice.

Having purchased the Elkhorn Bakery, it is our intention to cater to the wants of the inhabitants of the town of Elkhorn and vicinity, by supplying them with first class Bread, Buns, Biscuits, Confectionery etc. etc.

We hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage, and to supply a long felt want to the people of Elkhorn.

We expect to commence business about June 1st 1893.

ELKHORN BAKERY COMPANY

STRAYED

STRAYED FROM ELPHINSTONE FARM, one chester BROWN HORSE with white face, two white hind feet, about 15 hands high. One BAY HORSE, white star on forehead. Any information given about the above will oblige R. PIRIE, ELPHINSTONE FARM NEWDALE

FOR SALE.

A NUMBER OF GOOD HORSES AND mares for sale. Also two sets of new harness. 1 Chatham Farming Mill. Also good matched team Working Ox; 1 eight year old ox would exchange for young cow in calf. Apply to S. H. GREENWOOD, Elkhorn, P. O.

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TWO MILES FROM ELKHORN: GOOD FARM for sale: 160 acres, 50 under cultivation. Farm House, 30x40, containing sitting Room 12x15, Kitchen 12x15, and bedroom, 12x8 and 12x7. Another 12 210 room upstairs. Frame Granary, 12x32 Two wells, Fruit trees in garden. Satisfactory reason for leaving farm. Price \$1,000. Will sell upon Very Easy Terms. Apply at the Office of the ELKHORN DISTRICT ADVOCATE, ELKHORN.

LAUNDRY.

Mrs. Bagg, an experienced laundress, used to steam laundries, wishes to inform the public that she has commenced business on the south side of the railway track where she is prepared to do all kinds of laundry work.

GREAT SACRIFICE SALE!

STILL RAGING AT

R. M. COOMBS

AND COMPANY'S.

\$15,000 STOCK.

Thrown on the market at Wholesale figures. Everyone greatly delighted and pleased with their bargain, also quite satisfied that they can fill their bill and get all they want under one roof, which shows that centralization is to everyone's advantage. After a long journey, most shopping is fatiguing, and now find it a pleasure to do business at the Mammoth Store in Elkhorn.

Our great aim is to do better for our customers all the time, and you well know our facilities for supplying your wants.

Our record of business is continued improvement.

There is a great difference in stores: it all depends in the management. Some buy the cheapest goods offered, but the best at the cash price, and therefore are prepared to give our customers the advantage of the same.

Our Dress Goods Department is full of all the best goods from English, French and German markets, and if any of our lady friends wish to get something new in a dress, they will find that we have them to suit both young and old and at Sacrifice Prices.

You should call and examine these new goods we have to offer you at 25c. per yd. As our room is limited in this paper, we will say that we are sacrificing all goods in the Dry Goods Department, and will now pass on to the:

Boot and Shoe Department, which you will find full and complete in every line suitable to the wants of all our customers, and note that all are to be slaughtered.

Ready made Clothing Department. We have Men's Suits, Boy's Suits, Youth's Suits, Children's Suits, all to be sold regardless of cost.

Hats, Caps & Gents Furnishings in all styles: caps for Spring and Summer. Straws in great variety for Men, Boys and Girls; all to be slaughtered at the same time as the other goods. Shirts, Collars, Ties, in great variety and at slaughter prices.

In all other lines we are complete and can offer you special drives in fancy Groceries, have a full assortment to hand at present.

We defy competition in prices.

All goods sold for Cash and no charging.

Old accounts must be settled for, at once, either by Cash or Note.

We are prepared to handle Farmer's produce in large or small quantities, and request a call before selling elsewhere.

R. M. COOMBS & COMPANY.

RICHILL AVENUE, ELKHORN, MAN.

Broadley's Hardware Store

Settlers' Supplies.

LUMBER, LATHS, SHINGLES.

Window Sash

Doors,

Nails, Building paper, Lime, Hair, Brick

Plaster, &c.

Shelf and Heavy Hardware.

TINSHOP IN CONNECTION

Repairing promptly attended to.

all kinds of tin work made to order.

Furniture for sale cheap, Iron and Wood

Bedsteads, Cots, Wool Mattresses, Pillow

&c. &c. &c.

Undertakers' Supplies

Coffins and Caskets always kept in Stock.

Money to lend on

Farm Property.

AT

BROADLEY'S HARDWARE STORE.



CHAPTER I

FIRST GLIMPSE OF THE CARAVAN.
The afternoon was still very warm, but a gray mist drifting from the Irish Channel, and sailing eastward over the low-lying island of Anglesea, was beginning to scatter, a thin penetrating drizzle on the driver of the Caravan.

To right and left of the highway stretched a bleak and bare prospect of marshland and moorland, closed to the west by a sky of ever-diminishing redness, and relieved here and there by black clumps of stunted woodland. Here and there peeped a solitary farmhouse, with outlying fields of gray-green grass, and a few scattered trees. The cattle were languidly grazing; and ever and anon came a glimpse of some lonely lake or tarn, fringed all round with thick sedges and dotted with water lilies. The road was as desolate as the prospect, with not a living soul upon it, far as the eye could see. To all this, however, the driver of the Caravan paid little attention, owing to the simple fact that he was asleep.

He was roused by a sudden jolting and swaying of the clumsy vehicle, combined with a sound of splashing water, and opening his eyes sleepily, he perceived that the gray mare had turned aside from the center of the road, and was having placidly entered a stagnant pond on the road-side was floundering and struggling in the mud thereof, with the Caravan rocking behind her. At the same moment a head was thrust round the back part of the vehicle, and an angry voice exclaimed:

"Tim, you scoundrel, where the devil are you driving to? Wake up, or I'll break every bone in your skin."

Thus addressed, Tim woke himself with an effort, and looking round with an indignant air, replied:

"Begorra, Master Charles, I thought it was an earthquake entirely. Come out of that now. Is it wanting to drown, your honor, arel? G-r-r-r! Sh! Alsy now, alsy!"

The latter portion of the above sentence was addressed to the mare, which was as last perceived to be struggling in the mud, and to return to the dusty track, where she stood quivering and panting. No sooner was the return to terra firma accomplished than a light, agile figure descended the steps of the back of the Caravan, and ran round to the front. An excited colloquy, angry on the one side, and apologetic on the other, ensued, and did not cease when the driver, with a flick of his whip, put the Caravan again in motion, while the other strode alongside on foot.

It was just such a Caravan as may be seen any summer day forming part of the camp on an English common, with the swart face of a gypsy woman looking out from the door, and half a dozen ragged limbs and eyes rolling on the grass beneath; as may be observed, smothered in wickerwork of all descriptions, or glittering pots and pans, moving from door to door in some sleepy country town, guided by a gloomy gentleman in a velvet coat and hareskin cap, and attended by a Drivvy hussy, also smothered in wickerwork or pots and pans; as, furthermore, may be described, forming part of the procession of a travelling circus, and drawn by a pie-bald horse which, whenever a good "pitch" is found, will complete its day's labors by performances in the ring. A Caravan of the good old English kind; with small windows, ornamented by white muslin curtains, with a chimney stopper for the smoke to come through from the fire inside, with a door behind, ornamented with a knocker, and quite lacking a door-pole to make it quite complete; in short, a House on Wheels.

The driver, though rough enough, and red with sun and wind, had nothing in common with the ordinary drivers of such vehicles, and, in point of fact, he was neither a gypsy nor a travelling tinkler, nor a circus performer. Though it was summer time, he wore a large fringed coat, descending almost to his heels, and on his head a wideawake hat—underneath which his lazy, beardless, and somewhat sheepish face shone with indolent good humor. His companion, Master Charles, as he was called, bore still less resemblance to the Bohemians of English lanes and woodlands. He was a slight, handsome, fair-haired young fellow, of two or three and twenty, in the tweed attire of an ordinary tourist, and every movement he made, every word he spoke, implied the "gentleman born."

Presently, at a signal from his master (for such he was), Tim drove rain again. By this time the sun was setting fiery red, far away to the west, and the thin drizzle was becoming more persistent.

"How far did you say it was to Pen-croft?"

"Ten miles, sir."

"The mare is tired out. I think—We shall have to camp by the roadside."

"All right, Master Charles. There's a handy shelter beyond there where you see the trees," Tim added, pointing up the road with his whip. The young man looked in that direction, and saw, about a quarter of a mile away, that the highway entered a dark clump of woodland. He nodded assent and walked rapidly forward, while Caravan followed slowly in his rear.

Reaching the point where the wood began, and entering the shadow of the trees, he soon found a spot well fitted for his purpose. To the left the road descended out into a grassy patch of common, bordered by a row of two or three stunted birches, and stretched out a dusty arm, to touch a large white gate, which opened on a gloomy, grass-grown avenue winding right through the heart of the wood. The Caravan, coming slowly up, was soon placed in a snug position, not far from the gate, the horse was taken out and tethered to a grassy stump, while Tim, searching about, found some dry sticks and began to light a fire. Diving into the Caravan, the young man emerged with a camp stool, on which he sat down, lighted a pipe, and began to smoke. They could hear the rain faintly pattering in the boughs above them, but the cool they had

chosen was quite sheltered and dry. The fire soon blazed up. Entering the Caravan in his turn Tim brought out a tin kettle full of water and placed it on the fire, preparatory to making tea. He was thus engaged when the sound of a horse's hoofs was heard along the highway, and presently the figure of a horseman appeared approaching at a rapid trot. As it came near to the group on the wayside the horse raised a violent spring from one side of the road to the other, so that its rider, a dark, middle-aged man, in an old-fashioned cloak, was almost thrown from the saddle. Uttering a fierce oath he recovered himself, and, reigning in the frightened animal, looked angrily around, then, seeing the cause of his mishap, he forced his horse, with no small difficulty, to approach the figures by the fire.

"Who are you?" he demanded, in harsh, peremptory tones. "What are you doing here?"

"The young man, pipe in mouth, looked up at him with a smile, but made no reply."

"What are you? Vagabond? Do you know this place is private?" And he pointed with his riding-whip to a printed "No-trespass" notice on the gate upon the stem of a large fir tree.

"I beg your pardon," said the young man, with the utmost sangfroid; "we are, I imagine, on the Queen's highway, and, with your permission, we purpose to remain for the night."

Struck by the superior manner of the speaker, the new-comer looked at him with some surprise, but with no abatement of his haughty manner. He then glanced at Tim, who was busy with the kettle, from Tim to the gray mare and from the gray mare to the house on wheels. The scowl on his dark face deepened and he turned his fierce eyes again on the young man.

"Let me warn you that these grounds are private, suffer no wandering vagabonds to pass that gate."

"May I ask your name?" said the young man, in the same cool tone and with the same quiet smile.

"What is my name to you?"

"Well, not much, only I should like to know the title of so very amiable a person."

The other descended to no reply, but walked his horse towards the gate.

"Here, fellow!" he cried, addressing Tim. "Open this gate for me!"

"Don't stir," said his master. "Let our amiable friend open the gate for himself."

With an angry exclamation the rider leaped from his saddle, and still holding his horse's reins, threw the gate wide open. Then, still leading his horse, he strode over towards the young man's face, but, conquering himself, he surveyed him from head to foot with savage anger. Nothing daunted, the young man returned his stare with something very like supreme contempt. At last, muttering beneath his breath, Mr. Monk turned away, and, leading his horse in to the avenue, closed the gate and remounted; but even then he did not immediately depart, but remained for some minutes seated in the saddle, scowling over at the encampment.

Thus occupied, his face and figure set in the gloomy framework of the trees, he looked even more forbidding than before. His face, though naturally handsome, was dark and tempestuous with passions, his eyes deep-set and fierce, his clean-shaven jaw square and determined. For the rest, his black hair, which was thickly mixed with gray, fell almost to his shoulders, and his upper lip was covered with an iron-gray mustache.

At last, as satisfied with his scrutiny, Mr. Monk turned his horse round with a fierce jerk of the reins and rode rapidly away in the shadow of the wood.

CHAPTER II

LEAVES FROM A YOUNG GENTLEMAN'S

"Before setting forth on this memorable pilgrimage to nowhere, I promised a certain friend of mine, in literary Bohemia, to keep notes of my adventures, with a view of future publication, illustrated by my own brilliant sketches. I fear the promise was a rash one—firstly, because I am constitutionally lazy and adverse to literary exertion, and, secondly, because I have, as yet, met with no adventures worth writing about. Not that I have altogether lost my first enthusiasm for the idea. There would be novelty in the title, at any rate. Cruises in a Caravan," by Charles Brinkley, with illustrations by the author; photographed frontispiece, the Caravan with Tim as large as life, smirking self-consciously in delight at having his picture taken. My friend B— has promised to find me a publisher, if I will only persevere. Well, we shall see. If the book does not progress it will be entirely my own fault for I have any amount of time on my hands. Paint as hard as I may all day, I have always the long evenings, when I must either write, read, or do nothing."

"So I am beginning this evening, exactly a fortnight after my return from Chester. I purchased the Caravan there from a moose individual, with one eye, who had it built with a view to the exhibition of a Wild Man of Patagonia; but said wild man having taken it into his head to starve himself, Cork, where he was born, and the moose individual having no definite idea of a novelty to take his place, the Caravan came into market. Having secured his traveling palace, duly furnished

with window-blinds, a piece of carpet, a chair bedstead, a table, a stove, cooking utensils, not to speak of my own artistic paraphernalia, I sent over to Melbury, County Mayo, for my old servant, Tim, a Chinaman, or Tim of the Ferry—otherwise Tim Linney; and with his assistance, when he arrived, I purchased a strong mare as Chester Fair. All these preliminaries being settled, we started one fine morning soon after day-break, duly bound for explorations along the macadamized highways west by north of North Wales.

"I am pleased to say that Tim, after he had recovered the first shock of seeing a peripatetic dwelling-house, took to the road wonderfully. Surely it is just like the old cabin at home," he averred, "barrin' the wheels and the windies and the chimney and the baste to pull it along, and I think the resemblance would have been complete in his eyes if there had only been two or three pigs trotting merrily behind the back door. As for myself, I, if I had never in my life been in a civilized habitation, would be able to go where one pleases, to dawdle as one pleases, to stop and sleep where one pleases, and certainly a new sensation. My friends, observing my sluggish ways, had often compared me to a springing cat, but, for me, for I was a small, indeed, with my house comfortably fixed upon my shoulders, crawling tranquilly along."

(To be continued.)

Fads and Faddists.

People who have made their way upward and onward in an inconspicuous, unobtrusive fashion are apt to believe in luck.

The late A. T. Stewart's belief that the old apple-tree on his corner did not follow him up town his luck would desert him, is well known.

There is a rich man, New Jersey, who fancies that day, his lucky color. He paints everything about his premises yellow in consequence, and he is a successful speculator.

There is a woman who deals in real estate in New York whose fortune is large. She fears about her husband, who is a speculator. It is usually concealed, but when she begins to bargain she takes the button and she considers it a talisman.

Another rich woman in New York returns home if she meets a person with a cane, she says, "will be unfortunate if she transacts business after meeting such a person."

The sort of old-fashioned superstition of the Rothschilds, always resided in the tumble down old house where they were born. She believed that she left it, and she would leave them. Every morning servants carried her in a sedan chair to the palace, and she would not get out of her back at night. She slept in the old house as long as she lived.

The wife of one of those who believed in the world by falling, always declared that it was "because he lifted an umbrella over head in the street."

In fact there are hundreds of people who, quite sane and sensible in other ways, are fixed in their belief in the most absurd things concerning good and bad luck.

SCRAPPED WITH A RASP.
Sirs.—I have a rasp, a rough, tough, and I think it is a rasp, a rasp, a rasp. On taking Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup I found the first, second, and third, and fourth, and fifth, and sixth, and seventh, and eighth, and ninth, and tenth, and eleventh, and twelfth, and thirteenth, and fourteenth, and fifteenth, and sixteenth, and seventeenth, and eighteenth, and nineteenth, and twentieth, and twenty-first, and twenty-second, and twenty-third, and twenty-fourth, and twenty-fifth, and twenty-sixth, and twenty-seventh, and twenty-eighth, and twenty-ninth, and thirtieth, and thirty-first, and thirty-second, and thirty-third, and thirty-fourth, and thirty-fifth, and thirty-sixth, and thirty-seventh, and thirty-eighth, and thirty-ninth, and fortieth, and forty-first, and forty-second, and forty-third, and forty-fourth, and forty-fifth, and forty-sixth, and forty-seventh, and forty-eighth, and forty-ninth, and fiftieth, and fifty-first, and fifty-second, and fifty-third, and fifty-fourth, and fifty-fifth, and fifty-sixth, and fifty-seventh, and fifty-eighth, and 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